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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Marc ALIZON et al.) **BOX AFTER FINAL**
Serial No.: 08/384,248)
Filed: February 6, 1995)
For: METHOD OF PRODUCING)
ANTIBODIES TO ANTIGENS OF)
HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY)
VIRUS TYPE 1 (HIV 1))

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In response to the Final Office Action of August 20, 1996 (Paper No. 18), the period for response having been extended by a Petition for Extension of Time and fee filed herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, applicants request that this application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 23, 32, and 33 as follows:

23. (Three Times Amended) A method of producing antibodies to an antigen of human immunodeficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1), said method comprising:

(a) providing an antigen of HIV-1, wherein said antigen *is encoded by* corresponds to a nucleic acid
fragment extending from the restriction site KpnI at about coordinate 6100 to the restriction site

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